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Application No.: 10/785,263)	
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For: THREE-DIMENSIONAL OBJECT)	Confirmation No.: 8885
MANIPULATING APPARATUS,)	
METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM)	

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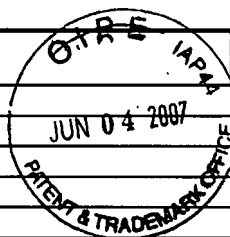
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